

WARD AND DRUM APPEAL TO THE SUPERIOR COURT

Released from Jail After Spending One Day's Time
CASE MAY BE SETTLED
Is Opinion of Attorney Irwin in His Remarks to the Court

Clifford H. Drum of Coal Centre, former cashier of the Bank of Coal Centre, and Frederick Ward, of Pittsburgh, a broker, were released from the county jail last evening, after having spent one day's imprisonment, pending the getting out of an appeal to the superior court, the two defendants having been sentenced 18 months to the penitentiary at Riverside earlier in the day.

Immediately following the sentence yesterday morning counsel for the two men went to Pittsburgh where an appeal was filed with the clerk of the superior court. The writ in appeal was presented to Judge Taylor yesterday afternoon, a supersedeas asked for, which was granted and bail fixed at \$5,000 each. The bail had been arranged for earlier in the day and immediately upon the granting of the supersedeas the recognizance of each was signed up and they were released from custody. The sentence of each given by Judge Taylor was to pay the costs of prosecution, fine of \$500 and undergo imprisonment in the Western penitentiary for a period of one year and six months.

The two defendants were convicted three weeks ago of conspiracy to defraud in the wrecking of the bank of Coal Centre. The case was pending sentence at the time of conviction until Monday of last week with hope that a settlement might be made with the stockholders of the bank in making good the amount the bank is alleged to have lost through Ward and Drum's speculations.

Monday of last week a further extension of time was asked with the hope that a settlement might be reached the past week. Counsel for Drum said that they were ready and willing to settle, but their hands were tied on account of Ward not being able to raise the sufficient money. Counsel for Ward desired an extension, with the hope that Ward might be able to close up a lumber deal in which he was alleged to be interested, and thereby secure money. Ward informed his counsel Saturday that he had not secured the needed money.

Attorney Irwin said in his remarks to the court that he believed that settlement might yet be reached, before the case was out of the jurisdiction of this court, meaning before the case was with the superior court, to which an appeal will be taken. Ward and Drum took their sentence very calmly, but realized that they have brought disgrace on themselves. Both went to jail until a supersedeas was granted, pending an appeal and bail was given them.

Socialistic Lecture.
John W. Slayton, the Socialistic organizer of Allegheny will address the Charleroi Socialists on Thursday September 23, at Co-operative Hall at 7:30 p. m. A cordial invitation is extended to all to hear this able speaker. Mr. Slayton addressed the Charleroi local last summer and is considered one of the most able speakers in this section of the state.

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MUST SIGN ORDINANCE FOR LIGHT

Court Appealed to in an Effort to Have Isler Sign Contract
RETURNABLE SEPT. 27

Through its solicitor, Carl E. Gibson, Monongahela City yesterday petitioned the court for a writ of mandamus upon its mayor, L. C. Isler, to compel him to sign a certain ordinance passed by the councils of that city, providing for the entering into an electric light contract with the West Penn Electric company. Upon the filing of the petition the court issued a rule upon the mayor to show cause why the writ should not be issued. The writ is returnable September 27.

The proceeding grows out of the trouble in that city over the lighting of its streets and alleys. Prior to May 1, 1909, there were used about the city 22 arc lights at \$90 month and about 115 Welsbach lights at \$30 a month. Both the lighting contracts expired on May 1, 1909. Since that time there has been no light in contract. On June 22, 1909, the councils in joint session, passed an ordinance providing for the letting of the contract for the lighting of the city to the West Penn Electric company at \$70 per year for arc light. This ordinance the mayor refused to sign and the city now takes steps to make him sign it. There is pending in the court an injunction suit against the city to restrain it from carrying out the contract with the West Penn Electric company, the action being brought by Henry Elliott, a taxpayer. A preliminary injunction was issued and since that time the city has taken no steps towards the performance of the said contract.

October 2 Last Day.
Saturday, October 2, is the last day for paying taxes to enable a voter to participate in the election on November 2.

KNIGHTS TO OBSERVE NEW LEGAL HOLIDAY

Monessen Council Knights of Columbus is arranging a celebration for Columbus Day, the new legal holiday which will be observed on October 12. The holiday was legalized in this state by the last legislature and commemorates the discovery of America by Columbus. A committee for the purpose of making plans was appointed with the following members: P. J. Preston, Hugh Maloney James Currie, Chas. Allen, James Downey, J. E. McElroy and also Mathew Herron of Monongahela.

Public Sale.
Thursday September 23, 1909. Seven cows, team of 5-year-old horses, one 2-year-old colt, one yearling colt, one mowing machine, one or two horse hay-rake, one two horse harrow, one milk wagon one spring wagon, one road wagon, one set double harness, one corn cutter. Bargains for all at Eugene Moreau's Farm, Speers, Pa. S13-13-18-21

All members of Co. E Third Regiment U. S. B. A. are ordered to meet for special drill Wednesday night at 6 o'clock sharp to prepare for parade and inspection with the regiment at Pittsburgh October 2.
O. M. Wise, Commandant.

Morgan's Expense Account.
John C. Morgan of Canonsburg who was a candidate for the Republican nomination for controller has filed his expense account which amounted to \$284.50.

of rice, ribbons, tin cans and to attend to the decoration of all "capturable" baggage.

Mr. and Mrs. Short expect to tour up through New York bringing up at Toronto, Canada at which place there is a large fair going on.

ATTEMPT TO WRECK BUILDINGS

Explosion of Either Dynamite or Nitroglycerine Does Much Damage
DIRECT CAUSE UNKNOWN

The buildings of the Hotel Aubrey and the Atwood hotel on Bridge street West Brownsville at 2 o'clock yesterday morning, were partly destroyed, it is said by an explosion of either nitroglycerin or dynamite. The rear of both hotels were wrecked. No persons were injured. The buildings did not take fire. The police suspect that enemies of the hotel proprietors made an attempt to destroy their places.

At first it was thought the explosion was caused by a boiler exploding in the Hotel Aubrey. The boiler was found in a dilapidated condition. Then it was thought the explosion must have been caused by gas. All the gas connections in both hotels were found to be all right.

The guests in both hotels were sleeping in the front part of the buildings and were not injured. The employees in both hotels were sleeping in the rear of the buildings. All escaped injury. While some of the residents there are of the opinion that the explosion was caused by gas, the proprietor believes an attempt was made by some persons to wreck the buildings.

Doormen were secured, but the doors were unable to take up any scent from the grounds had been walked over by several hundred persons since the explosion. The building of the Hotel Aubrey is damaged to the extent of \$1,000 and the Atwood hotel is damaged to the extent of \$800. The owners of both places, while they think an attempt was made to destroy their properties are unable to give any motive for such an attempt.

The large plate glass windows in both buildings were smashed to pieces. What made the explosion a mystery is the fact that no fire followed it.

CAUGHT BY A FALL OF SLATE

George Borden a Slav in the Monongahela Hospital suffering from injuries sustained by being caught by a fall of slate in the Vesta mine. One arm is fractured and he is otherwise hurt. He is 53 years old.

Herman C. Davis of Washington, D. C., visited at the home of Mrs. Catherine Collins Elco, for several days recently, and also paid a visit to their new home at Cheswick, Allegheny county, before returning to Washington. Mr. Davis was a post-office inspector for a number of years and is still in that department of the government service. He leaves for Panama October 1, where he has accepted a higher position in the same department.

A MAN OF LUCK.

The Story of the Test by the Eastern King's Minister.

A king once said to a minister, "Do you believe in luck?"

"I do," said the minister.

"Can you prove it?" asked the king.

"Yes, I can."

So one night he tied up to the ceiling of a room a bag containing peas mixed with diamonds and let in two men, one of whom believed in luck and the other in human effort alone. The one who believed in luck quietly laid himself down on the ground on his blanket; the other after a time found the bag and, feeling in the dark the peas and stones, ate the peas and threw the diamonds to his companion, saying, "There are the stones for your idleness."

The man below received them in his blanket.

In the morning the king and the minister came and told each man to keep what he had found. The man who believed in trying got the peas which he had eaten; the other got the diamonds.

The minister then said, "Sire, there may, you see, be luck, but it is as rare as peas mixed with diamonds, so let none hope to live by luck."—An Eastern Fable.

FIRE DESTROYS TIPPLE OF ELLSWORTH COAL COMPANY

Attacked on Street And Jaw Broken
Star Theatre Actor Badly Used Up Last Night on Way to Performance

Eareast Baker, who is booked at the Star Theatre at Monessen was attacked on the street last night at 7:30 o'clock by Charles Griffin of McMahan borough and during the mele which followed Baker had his lower jaw fractured and five teeth dislocated.

Baker in his act at the theatre uses several trained pigs and it was while on his way to the play house that he was attacked. He was coming up Donner avenue with his animals when Griffin walked out and without the slightest provocation proceeded to do him up. Baker was knocked down several times and pretty badly used up before any person could interfere. A crowd congregated and it was with much difficulty that an officer finally succeeded in landing Griffin behind the bars. He was brought before Squire Watkins this morning to answer a charge of felonious assault, and was held for court under a \$500 bond. Baker was taken to a physicians office where his injuries were attended to.

TWO ROBBERIES AT MONONGAHELA

Homes Entered Saturday Night and Money Secured

Burglars entered the home of John Sanders near Fourth street Monongahela Saturday night and caused much damage to property and furniture. The robbery occurred between eight and nine o'clock while the family were down street doing the regular Saturday night shopping. When the Sanders family returned they found the contents of the rifled trunks scattered about the house.

A call was sent to the police but nothing could be found that would lead to their capture.

Another robbery occurred at the home of Lee Zebrich, who lives in Factory street. It is understood that a masked man entered the house early in the evening and finding no person at home but the daughter compelled her, at the point of a revolver to hand over what money was in the house, which amounted to about fourty dollars in all.

What the Jury Found.
Some years ago the body of a well dressed man was found in a field on the outskirts of an English town. There were no marks of violence, and it was doubtful whether death had occurred from natural causes or if the individual had committed suicide. In due course the body was identified and a gentleman who had been acquainted with the deceased was called upon to give evidence at the inquest. Among other things, he stated that he had always considered him to be a man of marked idiosyncrasies, and his brain was continually excited by his irresistible fondness for chimeras of various kinds. The jury was evidently satisfied with his statement and immediately brought in a verdict that "death was caused by idiosyncrasies forcing on the brain in consequence of excessive indulgence in chimeras," adding a rider that "it should be a warning to people to refrain from that and other intoxicating beverages."

Mrs. F. B. Wiseacre, sister of Dr. Faddis of Fallowfield avenue, left for her home in Philadelphia, after three

Conservative Estimate Places the Loss at About \$18,000
NO PERSON IS INJURED

Origin of Fire Laid to Spark From Passing Locomotive

Fire destroyed the tippie of Mine No. 2 of the Ellsworth Coal company at Ellsworth last night. The loss will reach upwards to \$18,000. This is a conservative estimate. Some persons placed the loss as high as \$30,000. The fire was of unknown origin although it is believed that it originated from a spark from a locomotive alighting on the greasy timbers of the tippie.

By heroic efforts the fan house and the engine house situated within a few feet of the tippie were saved. At midnight the large tippie was a mass of ruins. Over 500 men will be thrown out of employment. Over 400 men were in the mine when the tippie was burning on top, but they were taken out through shaft No. 1. No one was injured.

Shortly after 8:30 o'clock a flame was discovered in the weighing room of the tippie. The flames soon spread and shortly enveloped the entire tippie, the timbers being covered by a fine coal dust and grease. General Superintendent Benjamin Holliday and Assistant Superintendent Joseph Miller were on hand and directed the work of the fire fighters. The company has a good water system and

the burning timbers. The trestle work which joins the tippie was saved. It was feared that the flames would spread to the interior of the mine and to prevent this eight fire bosses with a gang of men together with several fire engines and fire extinguishers were kept at the bottom of the shaft and whenever a piece of burning timber fell to the bottom it was dashed out.

In this way the interior of the mine was saved from a disastrous fire. The burning timbers as they fell alighted in the lining of the shaft and as a result the heavy timber and the lining of the shaft were damaged slightly.

Four large steel cars which were standing under the tippie were almost destroyed as the result of the fire. They were loaded with coal which burned rapidly. The steel cars became so hot that they were reduced to almost shapeless masses. The cage was burned loose and fell to the bottom of the shaft, a distance of over 300 feet. The two large shive wheels at the top of the tippie were also burned loose and went crashing to the bottom of the shaft. These wheels weighed 3,000 pounds each. It was almost miraculous that no accidents happened from the falling timbers and wheels. The men at the bottom of the shaft kept well back from the opening fearing that they might be struck.

It was stated that the fire was started from crossed wires, but those in charge stated that this was impossible as the power was not on in the tippie wire. A large amount of lumber and pit posts were saved from the flames despite the fact that they were within a few feet of the tippie.

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Sept. 21 In American History.

1786—Great fire in New York from the Battery northward along North River. Trinity church and 500 other buildings burned.
1808—Joseph Rodman Drake, poet, died; born Aug. 7, 1793.
1898—The grand jury at Pittsburgh indicted 167 of the Homestead rioters.

ASTRONOMICAL EVENTS.

Sun sets 5:55; rises 5:43; moon sets 9:50 p. m.; planet Mercury visible.

The Age of Uniformity.

The old peach-basket's graceful shape came to us from antiquity says the New York World. Such a basket with acanthus leaves overflowing suggested, according to the fable, the Cornithian column and order in architecture. Now peaches are coming in square baskets that inspire no artist.

The Turks always packed fish in round boxes and never changed the ways of the fathers. When the astute Greeks captured the fruit industry they used square-cornered boxes, which saved space in packing. Kerosene in all the East goes in oblong tins. Case goods are packed in rectangular shapes to fit either mule pack saddle or freight cars. Wine scorns to travel in sewed up skins, liquid even to the distant legs. The round "Boston cracker" has vanished; its bland, space-wasting curve survives only in "pilot bread."

Harlem flats have taught piano makers to cramp the graceful grand piano, whose outline still recalls its parent harp, into the stiff upright. Some Gradgrind may yet reduce the line of beauty in the scroll of a violin into a rectangular slit. The city map shows few curved ways except in the parks; some think Broadway too lively in morals because it leans to the left. For this obliquity, and because fast men drove along it to road-houses above Madison Square, the ancestor of a New York "real estate family" bought land on the steady-going side avenues instead and missed being a greater Astor.

While the standardizing craze puts corners on boxes, it knocks them off human beings. Some complain that our past public school systems, like those huge revolving drums wherein broom handles are rolled about until they become round, characterless and all just alike, distill originality. Observation of the rising generation prompts hope that things may not be quite so bad as that. Still most of us like to see people with their corners of character preserved—and a few silly useless curves retained in material objects.

Pistol Making Industry.

Writing of the manufacture of pistols and the importance of the industry the Boston Transcript notes that "six great corporations, most of them in New England, and perhaps a dozen smaller concerns are engaged in the manufacture. One of the six has turned out 2,250,000 revolvers since 1872—the larger proportion during the more recent years. Of the other five makers who have made a larger num-

ber; one about as many; the other two is slightly fewer. Taking all these within the mark to say that we have manufactured 25,000,000 revolvers within thirty-five years or so, and that the present demand calls for 1,000,000 a year.

A Massachusetts manufacturer, speaking for a corporation, which of course, has trade outlets that might be very different from those of other manufacturers, says that out of every 100,000 revolvers 10,000 go abroad, which in this case means to Great Britain and the continent; 20,000 to distributors in Chicago and St. Louis, 15,000 to Denver and San Francisco, 10,000 to Mexico, Central and South America, 250,000 to New York and 20,000 stay in New England.

The Coming Fuel.

Experiments with bog peat by experts of the United States Geological Survey are expected to produce from the marshes of the United States a new fuel to take the place of the rapidly disappearing coal supply. No serious attempt has ever been made in this country to take advantage of the past deposits that dot the country. These deposits, on a basis of \$3 a ton, are estimated to have a valuation of more than \$38,000,000,000—a greater sum than is represented by all the property, stock, implements and buildings owned by the farmers of the United States.

The experiments with peat have led to the discovery that bogs are generally situated far from the coal fields. The States containing the greatest deposits are the eastern Dakotas, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Michigan, Indiana, Ohio, New York the New England States, New Jersey, portions of Virginia, North and South Carolina, Georgia and Florida.

Electric Sparks

The man who calmly announces he's a bankrupt, surrenders his stock of merchandise and store key and walks away is a philosopher. He's reached the stage where he lets the other fellows do the worrying.

Banker's Row in Fort Leavenworth prison is not likely to cut as much of a figure as it does at Riverside. All criminals look alike to Uncle Sam's minions.

The person who makes charges against public officers and individuals through anonymous letters may not be exactly a blackmailer, but he's getting well along toward that class.

An exchange defines a critic as being unable to do a thing the way he thinks it ought to be done.

It is easy enough to believe in hades, because one knows lots of people who ought to go there.

If things keep on the way they've been going lately, the advance agent of prosperity can't keep ahead of the show.

The New York World doubts Secretary Wilson's statement that the farmers have automobiles and money in their jeans, because so many are leaving the farms for the cities. The Secretary is right, however. With autos and money to burn the city's the place for joy riding. Fairies follow the electric lights instead of hovering over the stubble.

The magazine writer who recently announced that whisky is good in its place omitted to add that hades is the place for it.

What's the good of wealth and social position to a woman who hasn't a bunch of poor relations and acquaintances whom she can patronize?

An Ample Test.

The Insurance Agent—Sure your heart isn't weak? The Insured One—Oh, yes, yes. The Agent—Ever test it? The Insured—Yes, indeed. I watched a fifteen inning ball game with the score 1 to 1.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Open Confession.

Aunt—Tommy, I put three pies in here yesterday, and now there is only one. How is that? Tommy—Please, it was so dark, aunt, I didn't see that one!—London Pzach.

The Reason.

Discontented Wife—Several of the men whom I refused when I married you are richer than you are now. The Husband—That's why.—Illustrated Bits.

He is the noblest who has raised himself by his own exertions to a higher station.—Cicero.

PENNSYLVANIA TO BLAZE THE WAY

Citadel of Republicanism to Uphold Protection.

TO ANSWER "SIDESTEPERS"

Stalwart Citizenship of Keystone State Will at the Polls Indorse the Action of Penrose and His Colleagues in Congress in Defeating La Follette and His Free Trade Allies.

[Special Correspondence.]

Harrisburg, Sept. 21.

Republicans of Pennsylvania have accepted the challenge of the opponents of a protective tariff and propose to assert themselves at the coming election by rolling up a great majority for the Republican ticket.

In the recent tariff debates in Washington men of the type of La Follette, Doherty, Cummings and others who voted with the Democrats against the Payne bill, warned Senator Penrose and his stalwart Republican colleagues from the Keystone state that they "would hear from the people at the next election" if they did not desist in their efforts to pass the measure as agreed upon by the protectionists.

That the people of Pennsylvania, who are benefited more than those of any other state, intend to indorse the action of their Republican representatives in congress upon this subject at the November election is manifest upon every hand.

For Great Popular Vote.

It is proposed that there shall be such an emphatic vote of approval of the policy of protection that the whole world shall have reason to know how Pennsylvania stands upon this issue.

On every side there are evidences of a revival of business due to the passage of the tariff bill.

Mills that were closed for years are being reopened, fires are being rekindled in many an idle furnace, many thousands of coke ovens which were long black and silent are now ablaze and roaring joyous notes of prosperity for labor and capital alike. Steel mills and similar plants are working on full time. Labor is generally employed.

The great textile establishments located in various counties of the state are again busy with a splendid outlook for the future, the shipyards along the Delaware are taking on new men daily, not only to help build the great Dreadnoughts, which the federal government has just contracted for, but to also help construct new craft for the merchant marine, which is already feeling the gratifying effects of the revival of trade and industrial activity.

As a practical evidence of appreciation of the work of Senator Penrose in the framing of the tariff bill, and especially his magnificent services in quelling the interest of his constituents of the Keystone state, a series of testimonials will be given him next month.

First, the workmen of Kensington, the great textile district of the Quaker City, propose to give expression to their admiration for his special efforts in their behalf. During the entire discussion of the tariff schedules Senator Penrose kept in touch with a committee of the wage earners of this section, and they were advised as to every move of those advocating a reduction of duties which would have meant disaster to the manufacturing interest of the country.

A delegation of women employed in the mills of Kensington it will be recalled, made a pilgrimage to the national capital to combat the campaign of the society women, who were seeking reduced duties in order that they might purchase foreign made goods.

Tributes to Penrose.

At a meeting called by the Workmen's Protective Tariff League of Philadelphia for Oct. 7 not only will the men of Kensington attend in great numbers, but thousands of women employed in the textile mills have resolved to turn out to their Senator Penrose.

There will be speeches from men from the various mills, and possibly one or more of the women will be given an opportunity to address the gathering and to tell what they know of the work of the senator and his Republican colleagues in the senate and house at Washington.

A call has just been sent out to the manufacturers of Pennsylvania signed by some of the most representative mill owners in the state who are arranging a testimonial banquet to Senator Penrose to be given in the Bellevue-Stratford hotel in Philadelphia on Oct. 16 in recognition of his service to his state and the country in championing the cause of protection to American industries.

This promises to be a memorable occasion.

While these gatherings will be in no sense political, they are indicative of the feeling of the people of Pennsylvania upon the issue that has been squarely drawn by the so-called "downward revisionists" of the La Follette school of western free trade theorists.

The importance of a heavy Republican vote throughout Pennsylvania next November is being dwelt upon by business men and others who were

harrassed through unsettled conditions during the tariff agitation.

They realize that should the Republican vote in this state in November be small it would at once be commented upon by La Follette and his coterie and pointed to as a verification of their predictions that "the people" would be heard from.

Not only would this be taken as an expression of disapproval of the work of the Republican congressmen from Pennsylvania in support of protective policies, but it would at once give an encouragement to the opponents of protection all over the country to reopen the tariff fight and to seek to elect congressmen next year who would vote to change the tariff and thus spread chaos and disaster in every business and industrial center.

The farmers, who are among the main beneficiaries of the new tariff act, whose products have been protected from Canadian and other foreign competition, and who with labor and capital employed everywhere, find a ready and a profitable market for everything they have to sell, are taking a deep interest in the present political situation.

Reports from every county in Pennsylvania are to the effect that the farmers will be found supporting the full Republican ticket in November and that they will see to it that their votes shall be cast on election day, Nov. 2.

STATE CAMPAIGN WELL UNDER WAY

Republicans Making an Aggressive Campaign.

STRONG TICKET WELL BACKED

Rank and File of the Party Throughout Pennsylvania Appreciate the Importance of the Coming Election and its Bearing Upon Local and National Conditions.

[Special Correspondence.]

Philadelphia, Sept. 21.

With the reopening of activities this week the campaign for the election of the Republican ticket in Pennsylvania can be said to be well under way.

Having an exceptionally strong ticket in Judge Robert von Moschizker for justice of the supreme court, Senator A. E. Sisson for auditor general and former Senator Jeremiah A. Stober for state treasurer, and with every department of the state government under Republican control and administered with exceptional fidelity to public interest, and after the splendid record made in the successful fight for a protective tariff by Pennsylvania's Republican representatives in congress, the Republican party managers look with confidence for a great popular victory at the polls in November.

While every issue and every condition should foreshadow a large majority at the election, Colonel Wesley R. Andrews, chairman of the Republican state committee, has sounded a warning against the dangers of over confidence. He is urging each committeeman to work as though success depended upon the polling of every vote in his election district.

Judge von Moschizker is taking no part in the campaign as he holds that a nominee for the supreme bench should not participate in a political canvass, and he is continuing to discharge his duties as a judge in the common pleas court.

His colleagues on the state ticket, however, are out meeting the people face to face and discussing the issues.

State League Convention.

Candidates Sisson and Stober were yesterday in Erie, today they are due in Meadville in the morning and Franklin in the afternoon; tomorrow they are scheduled to visit Mercer in the forenoon and Newcastle later in the day, and on Thursday they are booked to address a mass meeting to be held in Altoona under the auspices of the State League of Republican Clubs, which will hold its convention there on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of this week.

United States Senators Penrose and Oliver and practically all of the Republican congressmen from Pennsylvania are expected at this convention, which it is predicted will be one of the most important gatherings in the history of the league.

Besides the two United States senators, among the speakers at the mass meeting will be former Secretary of the Treasury Leslie M. Shaw.

If his duties as chairman shall not interfere, Colonel Andrews will also attend the convention.

Various organizations have met recently, among them the War Veterans' club of Philadelphia, and cordially indorsed the full Republican ticket and resolved to work industriously to get out the vote.

The influence of a large Republican majority at the coming election in Pennsylvania, both upon national and local conditions, will be far-reaching.

Should Pennsylvania falter, it would be heralded from one end of the Union to the other that "Protection Pennsylvania" had repudiated the tariff bill, which would mean a calamitous condition for industrial and trade conditions possible until after the congressional elections next year.

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North Charleroi.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Metz are sojourning at St. Paul, Minnesota. Jesse Baldwin of Donora spent Sunday with relatives here.

Mrs. Robert Shanks, son Albert and daughter Alice were Sunday guests of Stockdale friends.

The Misses Grace Watkins and Mary Sisley of Fayette City were callers here Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Howard Isenberg and daughter of Monessen spent Sunday with Mrs. Arthur Wright.

Mrs. Geo. Dennis and children are visiting relatives in Morgantown.

G. Lutes and son are Crawford county visitors. Mrs. Shuttlesworth and children of Sharon have returned home after a visit with the former's sister Mrs. John Davis.

Mrs. Alfred Higginbotham returned Saturday from Wooster, Ohio, where she spent sometime with friends and relatives.

Mrs. H. L. Pierce is spending a week at Washington, Pa.

Mrs. R. B. Mansell and children of Scottsdale were week-end visitors at the home of the former's mother, Mrs. Mary Speakman.

Joseph Nutt and son, Charles spent Sunday in Greene county.

Master Dempsey Woodward returned home Saturday after a visit with his grandparents near Wooster, Ohio.

Mrs. Jonas Gee was a Donora caller Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hogan and children were recent guests of Carroll township friends.

Miss Hallie Isaacs of Monongahela, has returned home after spending a few days with Mrs. A. Reese.

Mrs. George Price and children have returned from East Liverpool, Ohio, where they spent two weeks with friends and relatives.

Mrs. Elizabeth Baldwin of the State of California was a recent visitor at the home of Mrs. Geo. Dennis. John Hogan left yesterday for Uniontown where he will spend his vacation.

Mrs. John Davis spent Saturday in Pittsburgh.

H. L. Haggerty was a Sunday visitor at the home of his brother, W. F. Haggerty.

Miss Pearl Linn is spending some time with relatives near Finleyville. Mrs. Elizabeth Mollard of Lock No. 5, was a visitor last week with Mrs. Robert Shanks.

Mrs. A. F. McGowan is visiting friends in Washington, Pa.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Morris of Monessen were Sunday guests at the home of John Myers.

Harry Dennis and Russell Crabb enjoyed a bicycle ride to Uniontown Saturday.

Mrs. Martin of Elizabeth visited Mrs. Jos. Jacobs recently.

Chas. Myers of Monessen was a caller here Sunday.

Mrs. Jacob Gulentz and children are home after a two months' sojourn at Rice's Landing.

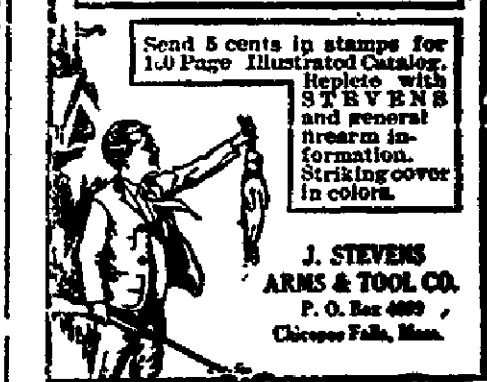
Mrs. Clarence Fell of West Brownsville visited relatives here recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Jean Reese and little daughter of Monessen were visitors Sunday at the home of A. Reese. The North Charleroi school children will be given a picnic by T. P. Sloan at Eldora Park, Friday, September 24.

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LOCAL NOTES

Brief Mention of People and Events in this Community.

Editor E. C. Niver of the Charleroi Mail is in Washington today attending the meeting of the Republican Executive committee of which he is a member.

Karl Keffler, Jr., left this morning for Washington where he will resume his studies at W. and J. college. weeks' visit in Charleroi.

Miss Blanche Faddis, who has been spending a short time at the home of her brother, Dr. Faddis returned to her home at Rices Landing.

Mrs. Gerard of Washington avenue left this morning for a visit with friends at Lima, Ohio.

L. H. Reeves of California was a visitor in town this morning.

William and Thomas McDermott spent Sunday visiting in Connellsville and Uniontown.

W. E. McFall of the Charleroi postoffice has returned to duty after a trip to Atlantic City of two weeks' duration.

Harold Smith, Jesse Richey, Roy Carson and Jacob Mitchell left for Washington today where they will enter W. and J. college.

Worshipping a turtle.

At a place called Kotron, on the French Ivory Coast, the natives believe that to eat or destroy a turtle would mean death to the guilty one or sickness among the family. The fetish men, of which there are plenty, declare that years ago a man went to sea fishing. In the night his canoe was thrown upon the beach empty. Three days afterward a turtle came ashore at the same place with the man on its back alive and well. Since that time they have never eaten or destroyed one of that species, although they enjoy other species.

If one happens now to be washed ashore there is a great commotion in the town. First the women sit down and start singing and beating sticks; next a small piece of white cloth (color must be white) is placed on the turtle's back. Food is then prepared and placed on the cloth, generally plantains, rice and palm oil. Then, amid a lot more singing, dancing and antics of the fetish people, it is carried back into the sea and goes on its way rejoicing.

Rest In the Lord.

The human soul is restless until it reposes in God. If we faithfully seek and find this safe retreat in the grace of the reconciled God, then the cause of all our restlessness will be removed, and it will be fulfilled what the Saviour says, "Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest."—Rev. Ernest A. Tapert, Lutheran, New York.

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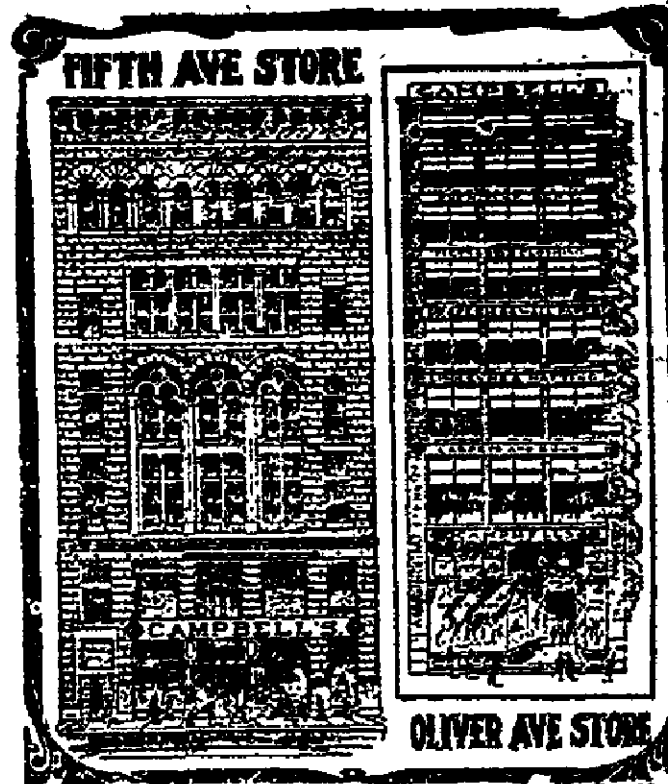
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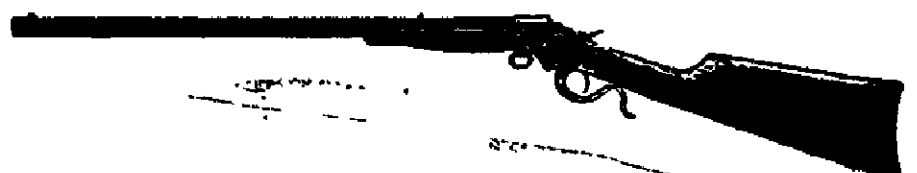
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The Charleroi Socialist Local has been fortunate in obtaining some of the best talent of the party for its course of lectures this fall and is pleased to announce the well known speaker and lecturer, John W. Slayton, organizer of Allegheny County. Mr. Slayton needs no introduction in Charleroi, as he lectured here last summer and endeared himself to the workers of this burg. It was Mr. Slayton who addressed the strikers of McKees Rocks every day during their strike, and helped by his work to win a victory over capitalism. Mr. Slayton will speak at Co-Operative Hall, 620 Fallowfield Avenue, Charleroi, Pa., on Thursday, September 23rd, 7:30 P. M. Sharp. All welcome. Admission Free.

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Vulture and Rattler.
An odd battle between a California vulture and a rattlesnake was witnessed in the Colorado mountains of Lower California. It was in the early morning. The big bird had seized the snake behind the head and was struggling upward with its writhing, deadly burden. The snake's captor appeared aware that its victim was dangerous. The burden was heavy, as the reptile was nearly five feet long.

The grip of the bird on the snake's body was not of the best. The snake seemed to be squirming from its captor's talons, at least sufficiently to enable it to strike. Its triangular head was seen to recoil and dart at the mass of feathers.
It did this once or twice, and then with a shriek the vulture dropped its prey. The bird was probably 500 feet or so above the observers. The astonished men were then treated to a spectacle seldom seen. Few birds but a vulture could accomplish such a feat.
The instant the snake escaped from the bird's clutches it dropped earthward like a shot, and like a shot the bird dropped after it, catching it in midair with a grip that caused death. At any rate, the snake ceased to wriggle, and the vulture soared away to a mountain peak to devour its hard earned meal.

The Distinguished Guest.
Captain Raabe was a man whose name had weight in the French cavalry. He was a tall man, belonging to the middle aged trooper type. With military qualities of the highest kind, he had a singular bearing, a savage sort of misanthropy and a cynical tongue, which stood in the way of promotion. When he was in the Sixth lancers, on garrison duty at Commercy, one of his comrades brought his father to dine with him at the officers' mess, a man of humble position and impretentiously dressed. Captain Raabe, considering that this guest had not been fully received, gave expression to his opinion, saying that if the executioner of Commercy had come in evening dress he would have had a better reception. The officers demurring, he made no rejoinder, but shortly afterward came to mess with a guest whose dress was irreproachable. Every one lavished attentions on the unknown. When dinner was over Captain Raabe, raising his glass, proposed the health of "the executioner of Commercy."

Preceding Him.
Marie—But if you love Tom why do you go about with Jack? Madge—Well, you see, Tom is rather slow, and I'm using Jack as a pacemaker for him.—Exchange.

The greatest battle-tale in the world is a woman's age when it begins to tell on her.—Philadelphia Record.

A MALIBRAN VICTORY

The Great Singer's Lively Debut in an English City.

SHE DEFIED THE DIRECTORS.

Considering That She Had Been Shabbily Treated, Malibran Sang as Long as She Wanted to and Had a Most Satisfactory Revenge.

Quarrels between opera singers and managers call to mind an incident in the life of Malibran. It was in 1829 when Malibran returned to England from New York and made her debut at Birmingham at the music festival as Malibran Garcia. Miss Paton had already become a favorite there and was allowed to choose her own songs and sing as many as she pleased, whereas Malibran was compelled to sing only what was assigned to her. Garcia bore the indignity with such patience as she could command until one morning she saw the announcement that Miss Paton would sing six songs that evening and that she would sing but two. Then it was that, realizing that much of her success for the season in England depended on her having a better place in the program, she stormed the directors.

In vain the directors endeavored to avoid receiving her, but she made short work of ceremony, and while they were framing an excuse to pacify her she broke in upon them in a magnificent rage. In a jiffy she asked the chairman:

"Sir, have you sanctioned this program?" And, receiving a nod in the affirmative, she sailed along further. "I had hoped," she said, "it had been issued without your sanction, for it assigns me two songs, both of which are hackneyed, while it gives my rival, Miss Paton, six. She has an established reputation here. Mine is yet to make, at least with your English audiences, and therefore if any preference should be given to any one it should be to me. On my success here depends all chance of my success in London. You forget this or do not care. You give me no chance of success, whereas all I want is justice. I want the same opportunity for displaying my ability as you allow Miss Paton. Here you advertise me for three. But I performed that last night, and the public will say, 'tomorrow Monday, tomorrow Tuesday, tomorrow Wednesday—tomorrow, tomorrow, tomorrow.' I want fair play—no more, no less!"

Well, it was a great fuss. The directors endeavored to soothe her, for she had talked herself into a great passion, but they made their mistake in pointing to the fact that the program was printed and could not be changed. In vain Malibran argued that she should sing six or an equal number of songs with Miss Paton, and finally she went off in a great huff, declaring if they would not right her she would right herself.

The evening advertised came, and the theater was crowded with its rank, beauty and fashion of Birmingham, as every one familiar with English music festivals would expect. The performance commenced. Some one sang, then Brabant followed, and finally came Miss Paton. As usual, she was heartily received. Then Malibran came forward amid many plaudits, undoubtedly agitated at the applause, and stood for a minute with her arms folded and her eyes on the ground.

There was a piano near the footlights, and the music stool stood at the back of the stage. Malibran stood near the piano, but did not touch a key, while in a manner until then unknown in England she warbled the well known aria "Una voce poco fa." Her performance was a triumph. Her performance was a triumph. Her performance was a triumph.

For some time the applause continued and finally died away. When all was silence Malibran started up suddenly, made a pretty obeisance, hastily ran to the back part of the stage and brought out a piano stool. Then, motioning to the orchestra not to play, she played a prelude and then an accompaniment to the song she had just given. But that was not all. When she came within a note or two of the conclusion she paused, cast a look at the wings, where the agitated director stood, laughingly shook her head and to the delight of the audience and the amazement of the directors commenced a new song. She had been singing Italian; now she sang Spanish, and when this had been applauded she started to retire. The audience, however, would not part with her, and when the conductor came to lead her off the gallery and boxes actually hissed the poor fellow.

There never was a more enthusiastic ovation to a singer in Birmingham, and, thus encouraged, Malibran gracefully waved the conductor off and again sat down to play. She passed from Spanish to German, German to French and finally from French to English, and the result was that she occupied so much time that the nervously waiting Miss Paton sang only two songs instead of six.

There was a lively scene behind the curtain when Malibran at length retired. But to the acting director, who fumed and cried, "Madam, you have played us an astonishing trick!" she only smiled and said, "I told you that I would right myself if you wronged me—and I did."—New York Post.

A diamond with a flaw is better than a common stone without any imperfections.—Chinese Proverb.

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BROWNING'S "SORDELLO."
The Critics Had Lots of Fun With the Famous Poem.

When Robert Browning was twenty-eight years old and after he had written "Paracelsus" and his tragedy of "Strafford," he wrote "Sordello," about which there has always been such a variety of opinion. Dante in his "Purgatory" wrote of Sordello, who was a poet of Provence.

"When 'Sordello' appeared it made a sensation. Punch said it had forced \$100 to any person who would reasonably explain one single line and that after a year no one had explained this reward. Burlesques were written on it, and in one of these it was claimed that the funniest lines were some of the exact original ones.

A story is told of witty Douglas Jerrold, who met a friend one day and asked, "Have you read 'Sordello'? Does it mean anything?" The friend replied that it meant nothing whatever. "Thank heaven!" said Jerrold. "Then I am not mad! I read it yesterday and feared I had lost my wits. It is only Browning who has lost his."

Another story was that criminals at Newgate prison who were condemned to death were offered full pardon if they would listen to the reading of "Sordello" but in every instance they hastened with glee to the gallows. Browning once said that he blamed nobody but himself for the work and that it had many faults of expression, but he meant to lay stress on luckless in the development of a soul and that little else is worth study. This estimate of his work was given twenty-five years after it was written, when he had revised it and dedicated it to a friend. He rewrote very little of it, and his followers have a belief that he considered "Sordello" his best literary work. It certainly has many beautiful lines and in particular there

is a word picture as striking as any thing in our language: That autumn eve was still'd. A last remnant of sunset dimly burn'd. O'er the far forests like a torch flame turned.

By the wind back upon the bearer's hand. In one long flame of crimson; as a brand. The woods beneath lay black.

—Boston Globe.

Foresight.

Little George, who was four years old, had been told many Bible stories. Among them was the story of the flood, and the building of the ark by Noah. One day a storm threatened. The clouds grew darker, the wind arose, and suddenly the rain began to fall.

"Auntie," said George, "do you think it is going to storm?"

"Yes, I think it will," was the reply. "Do you think it will be a hard storm?" asked the little fellow.

"Yes, I think it will be a hard storm," the aunt replied. "Well, don't you think some of us had better begin building an ark?" he asked. —Los Angeles Times.

Too Big a Price.

Does the pursuit of wealth cut the American man of business off from the old fashioned relish of books and society? In other words, is he paying too big or disproportionate a price in time and strength for wealth and commercial prominence? My answer would be "Yes" beyond question.—A. Barton Hepburn in Century.

Easy Job.

The Boss—I'd like to give you employment, young man, but there is no work to do. The Applicant—That's just the sort of job I'd like, sir, if the salary were satisfactory. —Cleveland Leader.

Little minds are too much wounded by little things; great minds see all and are not even hurt. —La Rochefoucauld.

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WARD AND DRUM APPEAL TO THE SUPERIOR COURT

Released from Jail After
Spending One Day's
Time

CASE MAY BE SETTLED

Is Opinion of Attorney Irwin in
The Remains to
the Court

Clifford H. Drum of Coal Centre, former cashier of the Bank of Coal Centre, and Frederick Ward, of Pittsburg, a broker, were released from the county jail last evening, after having spent one day's imprisonment, pending the getting out of an appeal to the superior court, the two defendants having been sentenced 18 months to the penitentiary at Riverside earlier in the day.

Immediately following the sentence yesterday morning counsel for the two men went to Pittsburg where an appeal was filed with the clerk of the superior court. The writ in appeal was presented to Judge Taylor yesterday afternoon, a superseas asked for, which was granted and bail fixed at \$5,000 each. The bail had been arranged for earlier in the day and immediately upon the granting of the superseas the recognizance of each was signed up and they were released from custody. The sentence of each given by Judge Taylor was to pay the costs of prosecution, fine of \$300 and undergo imprisonment in the Western penitentiary for a period of one year and six months.

The two defendants were convicted three weeks ago of conspiracy to defraud in the wrecking of the bank of Coal Centre, which closed its doors several months ago. The court suspended sentence at the time of conviction until Monday of last week with hope that a settlement might be made with the stockholders of the bank in making good the amount the bank is alleged to have lost through Ward and Drum's speculations.

Monday of last week a further extension of time was asked with the hope that a settlement might be reached the past week. Counsel for Drum said that they were ready and willing to settle, but their hands were tied on account of Ward not being able to raise the sufficient money. Counsel for Ward desired an extension, with the hope that Ward might be able to close up a lumber deal in which he was alleged to be interested, and thereby secure money. Ward informed his counsel Saturday that he had not secured the needed money.

Attorney Irwin said in his remarks to the court that he believed that settlement might yet be reached, before the case was out of the jurisdiction of this court, meaning before the case was with the superior court, to which an appeal will be taken. Ward and Drum took their sentence very calmly, but realized that they have brought disgrace on themselves. Both went to jail until a superseas was granted, pending an appeal and bail was given them.

Socialistic Lecture.

John W. Slayton, the Socialistic organizer of Allegheny will address the Charleroi Socialists on Thursday September 23, at Co-operative Hall at 7:30 p. m. A cordial invitation is extended to all to hear this able speaker. Mr. Slayton addressed the Charleroi local last summer and is considered one of the most able speakers in this section of the state.

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WEDDING CEREMONY PERFORMED TODAY

Miss Dolly Ward United in
Marriage at Home of
U. S. Orange

The wedding of Miss Dolly Ward and Mr. James H. Short took place at the home of Mr. U. S. Orange 312 Third street at 8 o'clock this morning. Something like a month has elapsed since Della, sister of this morning's bride was married to Mr. Clyde Sheep from the same home at which this pretty ceremony took place. Both Mrs. Sheep and "Miss Dolly" as every one were affectionately won to call her had positions of trust with the Berryman store, Mrs. Sheep having charge of the suit and cloak department and Mrs. Short had charge of the central and main office, caring for the intricate final summing up of all important transactions as they were sent in. Mr. Berryman loses in these sisters two very efficient helpers and regards the loss with regret, however on the other hand the young ladies of the store are jubilant over such a rapid exit into the wedded state of these of their number regarding it as a good omen for those left.

The bridegroom Mr. James M. Short is a Cleveland, Ohio man and holds the responsible position of construction engineer for the city named. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. T. Hackett, the ring form being used.

Decorations of fall roses and ferns lent a delightful part of the whole occasion, the small Misses Orange's acting as flower girls, strewn the bride and bridegroom's path in the quaint old fashioned manner of long ago. The bride was most tastily dressed in white organdy trimmed in a very bewitching fashion as just suited her. Miss Lelia Orange played the wedding march in a low tone all through the ceremony, casting a very enjoyable spell over all assembled.

After the ceremony the party was taken in a closed carriage to the depot to find the numerous friends of the bride had congregated in large numbers to fittingly wish them God speed on their bridal trip and also incidentally help them lay in a store

MUST SIGN ORDINANCE FOR LIGHT

Court Appealed to in an Effort
to Have Isler Sign
Contract

DEFENDABLE SEP 27

Through its solicitor, Carl E. Gibson, Monongahela City yesterday petitioned the court for a writ of mandamus upon its mayor, L. C. Isler, to compel him to sign a certain ordinance passed by the councils of that city, providing for the entering into an electric light contract with the West Penn Electric company. Upon the filing of the petition the court issued a rule upon the mayor to show cause why the writ should not be issued. The writ is returnable September 27.

The proceeding grows out of the trouble in that city over the lighting of its streets and alleys. Prior to May 1, 1909, there were used about the city 22 arc lights at \$90 month and about 115 Welsbach lights at \$30 a month. Both the lighting contracts expired on May 1, 1909. Since that time there has been no light in contract. On June 22, 1909, the councils in joint session, passed an ordinance providing for the letting of the contract for the lighting of the city to the West Penn Electric company at \$70 per year for arc light. This ordinance the mayor refused to sign and the city now takes steps to make him sign it. There is pending in the court an injunction suit against the city to restrain it from carrying out the contract with the West Penn Electric company, the action being brought by Henry Elliott, a taxpayer. A preliminary injunction was issued and since that time the city has taken no steps towards the performance of the said contract.

October 2 Last Day.

Saturday, October 2, is the last day for paying taxes to enable a voter to participate in the election on November 2.

KNIGHTS TO OBSERVE NEW LEGAL HOLIDAY

Monessen Council Knights of Columbus is arranging a celebration for Columbus Day, the new legal holiday which will be observed on October 12. The holiday was legalized in this state by the last legislature and commemorates the discovery of America by Columbus. A committee for the purpose of making plans was appointed with the following members: P. J. Preston, Hugh Maloney James Currie, Chas. Allen, James Downey, J. E. McElroy and also Mathew Herron of Monongahela.

Public Sale.

Thursday September 23, 1909. Seven cows, team of 5-year-old horses, one 2-year-old colt, one yearling colt, one mowing machine, one or two horse hay-rake, one two horse harrow, one milk wagon one spring wagon, one road wagon, one set double harness, one corn cutter. Bargains for all at Eugene Moreau's Farm, Speers, Pa. S13-13-12-1

All members of Co. E Third Regiment U. B. E. A. are ordered to meet for special drill Wednesday night at 6 o'clock sharp to prepare for parade and inspection with the regiment at Pittsburg October 2.
O. M. Wise, Commandant.

Morgan's Expense Account.

John C. Morgan of Canonsburg who was a candidate for the Republican nomination for controller has filed his expense account which amounted to \$284.50.

of rice, ribbons, tin cans and to attend to the decoration of all "capturable" baggage.

Mr. and Mrs. Short expect to tour up through New York bringing up at Toronto, Canada at which place there is a large fair going on.

ATTEMPT TO WRECK BUILDINGS

Explosion of Either Dynamite
or Nitroglycerine Does
Much Damage

DIRECT CAUSE UNKNOWN

The buildings of the Hotel Aubrey and the Atwood hotel on Bridge street West Brownsville at 2 o'clock yesterday morning, were partly destroyed, it is said by an explosion of either nitroglycerin or dynamite. The rear of both hotels were wrecked. No persons were injured. The buildings did not take fire. The police suspect that enemies of the hotel proprietors made an attempt to destroy their places.

At first it was thought the explosion was caused by a boiler exploding in the Hotel Aubrey. The boiler was found in a dilapidated condition. Then it was thought the explosion must have been caused by gas. All the gas connections in both hotels were found to be all right.

The guests in both hotels were sleeping in the front part of the buildings and were not injured. The employees in both hotels were sleeping in rooms at the rear of the buildings. All escaped injury. While some of the residents there are of the opinion that the explosion was caused by gas, the proprietor believes an attempt was made by some persons to wreck the buildings.

Hoodlums were secured, but the dogs were unable to take up any scent because the grounds had been walked over by several hundred persons since the explosion. The building of the Hotel Aubrey is damaged to the extent of \$1,000 and the Atwood hotel is damaged to the extent of \$800. The owners of both places, while they think an attempt was made to destroy their properties are unable to give any motive for such an attempt.

The large plate glass windows in both buildings were smashed to pieces. What made the explosion a mystery is the fact that no fire followed it.

CAUGHT BY A FALL OF SLATE

George Border a Slav is in the Monongahela Hospital suffering from injuries sustained by being caught by a fall of slate in the Vesta mine. One arm is fractured and he is otherwise hurt. He is 53 years old.

Herman C. Davis of Washington, D. C., visited at the home of Mrs. Catherine Collins Elco, for several days recently, and also paid a visit to their new home at Cheswick, Allegheny county, before returning to Washington. Mr. Davis was a post-office inspector for a number of years and is still in that department of the government service. He leaves for Panama October 1, where he has accepted a higher position in the same department.

A MAN OF LUCK.

The Story of the Test by the Eastern King's Minister.

A king once said to a minister, "Do you believe in luck?"
"I do," said the minister.
"Can you prove it?" asked the king.
"Yes, I can."

So one night he tied up to the ceiling of a room a bag containing peas mixed with diamonds and let in two men, one of whom believed in luck and the other in human effort alone. The one who believed in luck quietly laid himself down on the ground in his blanket; the other after a time found the bag and, feeling in the dark the peas and stones, ate the peas and threw the diamonds to his companion, saying, "There are the stones for your idleness."

The man below received them in his blanket.

In the morning the king and the minister came and told each man to keep what he had found. The man who believed in trying got the peas which he had eaten; the other got the diamonds.

The minister then said, "Sire, there may, you see, be luck; but it is as rare as peas mixed with diamonds, so let none hope to live by luck."—An Eastern Fable.

FIRE DESTROYS TIPPLE OF ELLSWORTH COAL COMPANY

Attacked on Street
And Jaw Broken

Star Theatre Actor Badly Used
Up Last Night on Way to
Performance

Earest Baker, who is booked at the Star Theatre at Monessen was attacked on the street last night at 7:30 o'clock by Charles Griffin of McMahan borough and during the mele which followed Baker had his lower jaw fractured and five teeth dislocated.

Baker in his act at the theatre uses several trained pigs and it was while on his way to the play house that he was attacked. He was coming up Donner avenue with his animals when Griffin walked out and without the slightest provocation proceeded to do him up. Baker was knocked down several times and pretty badly used up before any person could interfere. A crowd congregated and it was with much difficulty that an officer finally succeeded in landing Griffin behind the bars. He was brought before Squire Watkins this morning to answer a charge of felonious assault, and was held for court under a \$500 bond. Baker was taken to a physicians office where his injuries were attended to.

TWO ROBBERIES AT MONONGAHELA

Homes Entered Saturday
Night and Money
Secured

Burglars entered the home of John Sanders near Fourth street Monongahela Saturday night and caused much damage to property and furniture. The robbery occurred between eight and nine o'clock while the family were down street doing the regular Saturday night shopping. When the Sanders family returned they found the contents of the rifled trunks scattered about the house.

A call was sent to the police but nothing could be found that would lead to their capture.

Another robbery occurred at the home of Lee Zebrich, who lives in Factory street. It is understood that a masked man entered the house early in the evening and finding no person at home but the daughter compelled her, at the point of a revolver to hand over what money was in the house, which amounted to about forty dollars in all.

What the Jury Found.

Some years ago the body of a well dressed man was found in a field on the outskirts of an English town. There were no marks of violence, and it was doubtful whether death had occurred from natural causes or if the individual had committed suicide. In due course the body was identified and a gentleman who had been acquainted with the deceased was called upon to give evidence at the inquest. Among other things, he stated that he had always considered him to be a man of marked idiosyncrasies, and his brain was continually excited by his irresistible fondness for chimeras of various kinds. The jury was evidently satisfied with his statement and immediately brought in a verdict that "death was caused by idiosyncrasies forming on the brain in consequence of excessive indulgence in chimeras," adding a rider that "it should be a warning to people to refrain from that and other intoxicating beverages."

Conservative Estimate Places
the Loss at About

\$18,000

NO PERSON IS INJURED

Origin of Fire Laid to Spark
From Passing Locomotive

Fire destroyed the tipple of Mine No. 2 of the Ellsworth Coal company at Ellsworth last night. The loss will reach upwards to \$18,000. This is a conservative estimate. Some persons placed the loss as high as \$30,000. The fire was of unknown origin although it is believed that it originated from a spark from a locomotive alighting on the greasy timbers of the tipple.

By heroic efforts the fan house and the engine house situated within a few feet of the tipple were saved. At midnight the large tipple was a mass of ruins. Over 300 men will be thrown out of employment. Over 400 men were in the mine when the tipple was burning on top, but they were taken out through shaft No. 1. No one was injured.

Shortly after 8:30 o'clock a blaze was discovered in the weighing room of the tipple. The flames soon spread and shortly enveloped the entire tipple, the timbers being covered by a fine coal dust and grease. General Superintendent Benjamin Holliday and Assistant Superintendent Joseph Miller were on hand and directed the work of the fire fighters. The company has a good water system and soon had several streams of water playing on the burning timbers. The trestle work which joins the tipple was saved.

It was feared that the flames would spread to the interior of the mine and to prevent this eight fire hoses with a gang of men together with several fire engines and fire extinguishers were kept at the bottom of the shaft and whenever a piece of burning timber fell to the bottom it was dashed out.

In this way the interior of the mine was saved from a disastrous fire. The burning timbers as they fell alighted in the lining of the shaft and as a result the heavy timber and the lining of the shaft were damaged slightly.

Four large steel cars which were standing under the tipple were almost destroyed as the result of the fire. They were loaded with coal which burned rapidly. The steel cars became so hot that they were reduced to almost shapeless masses. The cage was burned loose and fell to the bottom of the shaft, a distance of over 300 feet. The two large shive wheels at the top of the tipple were also burned loose and went crashing to the bottom of the shaft. These wheels weighed 3,000 pounds each. It was almost miraculous that no accidents happened from the falling timbers and wheels. The men at the bottom of the shaft kept well back from the opening fearing that they might be struck.

It was stated that the fire was started from crossed wires, but those in charge stated that this was impossible as the power was not on in the tipple wire. A large amount of lumber and pit posts were saved from the flames despite the fact that they were within a few feet of the tipple.

Mrs. F. B. Wiseacre, sister of Dr. Faddis of Fallowfield avenue, left for her home in Philadelphia, after three

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Sept. 21 in American History.

1770—Great fire in New York from the Battery northward along North river. Trinity church and 500 other buildings burned.

1833—Joseph Rodman Drake, poet, died. Born Aug. 7, 1795.

1892—The grand jury at Pittsburg indicted 147 of the Homestead rioters.

ASTRONOMICAL EVENTS.

Sun sets 5:55, rises 5:40; moon sets, 8:56 p. m.; planet Mercury visible.

The Age of Uniformity.

The old peach-basket of graceful shape came to us from antiquity says the New York World. Such a basket with acanthus leaves overflowing suggested, according to the fable, the Cornelian column and order in architecture. Now peaches are coming in square baskets that inspire no artist.

The Turks always packed fish in round boxes and never changed the ways of the fathers. When the astute Greeks captured the fruit industry they used square-cornered boxes, which saved space in packing. Kerosene in all the East goes in oblong tins. Case goods are packed in rectangular shapes to fit either mule pack saddle or freight cars. Wine scorns to travel in sewed up skins, liquid even to the distant legs. The round "Boston cracker" has vanished; its bland, spare-wasting curve survives only in "pilot bread."

Harlem flats have taught piano makers to cramp the graceful grand piano, whose outline still recalls its parent harp, into the stiff upright. Some Gradgrind may yet reduce the line of beauty in the scroll of a violin into a rectangular slit. The city map shows few curved ways except in the parks; some think Broadway too lively in morals because it leans to the left. For this obliquity, and because last man drove along it to road-houses above Madison Square, the ancestor of a New York "real estate family" bought land on the steady-going side avenues instead and missed being a greater Astor.

While the standardizing craze puts corners on boxes, it knocks them off human beings. Some complain that our past public school systems, like these huge revolving drums wherein broom handles are rolled about until they become round, characterless and all just alike, distill originality. Observation of the rising generation prompts hope that things may not be quite so bad as that. Still most of us like to see people with their corners of character preserved—and a few silly useless curves retained in material objects.

Pistol Making Industry.

Writing of the manufacture of pistols and the importance of the industry the Boston Transcript notes that "six great corporations, most of them in New England and perhaps a few smaller concerns are engaged in the manufacture. One of the six has turned out 2,250,000 revolvers since 1872—the larger proportion during the more recent years. Of the other five makers who have made a larger num-

ber; one about as many; the other two is slightly fewer. Taking all these with the lesser folk, it would be well within the mark to say that we have manufactured 25,000,000 revolvers within thirty-five years or so, and that the present demand calls for 1,000,000 a year.

A Massachusetts manufacturer, speaking for a corporation, which of course, has trade outlets that might be very different from those of other manufacturers, says that out of every 100,000 revolvers 10,000 go abroad, which in this case means to Great Britain and the continent; 20,000 to distributors in Chicago and St. Louis; 15,000 to Denver and San Francisco; 10,000 to Mexico, Central and South America; 250,000 to New York and 20,000 stay in New England.

The Coming Fuel.

Experiments with bog peat by experts of the United States Geological Survey are expected to produce from the marshes of the United States a new fuel to take the place of the rapidly disappearing coal supply. No serious attempt has ever been made in this country to take advantage of the past deposits that dot the country. These deposits, on a basis of \$3 a ton, are estimated to have a valuation of more than \$92,000,000,000—a greater sum than is represented by all the property, stock, implements and buildings owned by the farmers of the United States.

The experiments with peat have led to the discovery that bogs are generally situated far from the coal fields. The States containing the greatest deposits are the eastern Dakotas, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Michigan, Indiana, Ohio, New York the New England States, New Jersey, portions of Virginia, North and South Carolina, Georgia and Florida.

Electric Sparks

The man who calmly announces he's a bankrupt, surrenders his stock of merchandise and store key and walks away is a philosopher. He's reached the stage where he lets the other fellows do the worrying.

Banker's Row in Fort Leavenworth prison is not likely to cut as much of a figure as it does at Riverside. All criminals look alike to Uncle Sam's minions.

The person who makes charges against public officers and individuals through anonymous letters may not be exactly a blackmailer, but he's getting well along toward that class.

An exchange defines a critic as being unable to do a thing the way he thinks it ought to be done.

It is easy enough to believe in hades, because one knows lots of people who ought to go there.

If things keep on the way they've been going lately, the advance agent of prosperity can't keep ahead of the show.

The New York World doubts Secretary Wilson's statement that the farmers have automobiles and money in their jeans, because so many are leaving the farms for the cities. The Secretary is right, however. With autos and money to burn the city's the place for joy riding. Fairies follow the electric lights instead of hovering over the stubble.

The magazine writer who recently announced that whisky is good in its place omitted to add that hades is the place for it.

What's the good of wealth and social position to a woman who hasn't a bunch of poor relations and acquaintances whom she can patronize?

An Ample Test.

The Insurance Agent—Sure you heart isn't weak? The Insured One—Oh, yes, yes. The Agent—Ever test it? The Insured—Yes, indeed. I watched a fifteen inning ball game with the score 1 to 1—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Open Confession.

Aunt—Tommy, I put three pies in here yesterday, and now there is only one. How is that? Tommy—Please, it was so dark, aunt, I didn't see that one—London Punch.

The Reason.

Discontented Wife—Several of the men whom I refused when I married you are richer than you are now.

The Husband—That's why.—Illustrated Bits.

He is the noblest who has raised himself by his own exertions to a higher station.—Cicero.

PENNSYLVANIA TO BLAZE THE WAY

Citadel of Republicanism to Uphold Protection.

TO ANSWER "SIDE STEPPERS"

Stalwart Citizenship of Keystone State Will at the Polls Indorse the Action of Penrose and His Colleagues in Congress in Defeating La Follette and His Free Trade Allies.

[Special Correspondence.]

Harrisburg, Sept. 21.

Republicans of Pennsylvania have accepted the challenge of the opponents of a protective tariff and propose to assert themselves at the coming election by electing a Republican majority to the Republican ticket.

In the recent tariff debates in Washington men of the type of La Follette, Dilliver, Cummings and others who voted with the Democrats against the Payne bill, warned Senator Penrose and his stalwart Republican colleagues from the Keystone state that they "would hear from the people at the next election" if they did not desist in their efforts to pass the measure as agreed upon by the protectionists.

That the people of Pennsylvania, who are benefited more than those of any other state, intend to indorse the action of their Republican representatives in congress upon this subject at the November election is manifest upon every hand.

For Great Popular Vote.

It is proposed that there shall be such an emphatic vote of approval of the policy of protection that the whole world shall have reason to know how Pennsylvania stands upon this issue.

On every side there are evidences of a revival of business due to the passage of the tariff bill.

Mills that were closed for years are being reopened, fires are being rekindled in many an idle furnace, many thousands of coke ovens which were long dark and silent are now ablaze and roaring joyous notes of prosperity for labor and capital alike. Steel mills and similar plants are working on full time. Labor is generally employed.

The great textile establishments located in various counties of the state are again busy with a splendid outlook for the future, the shipyards along the Delaware are taking on new men daily, not only to help build the great Dreadnoughts, which the federal government has just contracted for, but to also help construct new craft for the merchant marine, which is already feeling the gratifying effects of the revival of trade and industrial activity.

As a practical evidence of appreciation of the work of Senator Penrose in the framing of the tariff bill, and especially his magnificent services in guarding the interest of his constituents of the Keystone state, a series of testimonials will be given him next month.

First, the workmen of Kensington, the great textile district of the Quaker City, propose to give expression to their admiration for his special efforts in their behalf. During the entire discussion of the tariff schedules Senator Penrose kept in touch with a committee of the wage earners of this section, and they were advised as to every move of those advocating a reduction of duties which would have meant disaster to the manufacturing interest of the country.

A delegation of women employed in the mills of Kensington, it will be recalled, made a pilgrimage to the national capital to combat the campaign of the society women, who were seeking reduced duties in order that they might purchase foreign-made goods.

Tributes to Penrose.

At a meeting called by the Workingmen's Protective Tariff League of Philadelphia for Oct. 7, not only will the men of Kensington attend in great numbers, but thousands of women employed in the textile mills have resolved to turn out to cheer Senator Penrose.

There will be speeches from men from the various mills, and possibly one or more of the women will be given an opportunity to address the gathering and to tell what they know of the work of the Senator and his Republican colleagues in the senate and house at Washington.

A call has just been sent out to the manufacturers of Pennsylvania signed by some of the most representative mill owners in the state, who are arranging a testimonial banquet to Senator Penrose to be given in the Bellevue-Stratford hotel in Philadelphia on Oct. 16 in recognition of his service to his state and the country in championing the cause of protection to American industries.

This promises to be a memorable occasion.

While these gatherings will be in no sense political, they are indicative of the feeling of the people of Pennsylvania upon the issue that has been squarely drawn by the so-called "downward revisionists" of the La Follette school of western free trade theorists.

The importance of a heavy Republican vote throughout Pennsylvania next November is being dwelt upon by business men and others who were

harrassed through unsettled conditions during the tariff agitation. They realize that should the Republican vote in this state in November be small it would at once be commented upon by the "free traders" and pointed to as a verification of their predictions that "the people" would be heard from.

Not only would this be taken as an expression of disapproval of the work of the Republican congressmen from Pennsylvania in support of protective policies, but it would at once give encouragement to the opponents of protection all over the country to reopen the tariff fight and to seek to elect congressmen next year who would vote to change the tariff and thus spread chaos and disaster in every business and industrial center.

The farmers, who are among the main beneficiaries of the new tariff act, whose products have been protected from Canadian and other foreign competition, and who with labor and capital employed everywhere, find a ready and a profitable market for everything they have to sell, are taking a deep interest in the present political situation.

Reports from every county in Pennsylvania are to the effect that the farmers will be found supporting the Republican ticket in November and that they will see to it that their votes shall be cast on election day, Nov. 2.

STATE CAMPAIGN WELL UNDER WAY

Republicans Making an Aggressive Canvass.

STRONG TICKET WELL BACKED

Rank and File of the Party Throughout Pennsylvania Appreciate the Importance of the Coming Election and its Bearing Upon Local and National Conditions.

[Special Correspondence.]

Philadelphia, Sept. 21.

With the reopening of activities this week the campaign for the election of the Republican ticket in Pennsylvania can be said to be well under way.

Having an exceptionally strong ticket in Judge Robert von Moschizker for justice of the supreme court, Senator A. E. Sisson for auditor general and former Senator Jeremiah A. Stober for state treasurer, and with every department of the state government under Republican control and administered with exceptional fidelity to public interest, and after the splendid record made in the successful fight for a protective tariff by Pennsylvania's Republican representatives in congress, the Republican party managers look with confidence for a great popular victory at the polls in November.

While every issue and every condition should foreshadow a large majority at the election, Colonel Wesley R. Andrews, chairman of the Republican state committee, has sounded a warning against the dangers of over confidence. He is urging each committeeman to work as though success depended upon the polling of every vote in his election district.

Judge von Moschizker is taking no part in the campaign, as he holds that a nominee for the supreme bench should not participate in a political canvass, and he is continuing to discharge his duties as a judge in the common pleas court.

His colleagues on the state ticket, however, are out meeting the people face to face and discussing the issues.

State League Convention.

Candidates Sisson and Stober were yesterday in Erie, today they are in Meadville in the morning and Franklin in the afternoon; tomorrow they are scheduled to visit Mercer in the forenoon and Newcastle later in the day, and on Thursday they are booked to address a mass meeting to be held in Altoona under the auspices of the State League of Republican Clubs, which will hold its convention there on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of this week.

United States Senators Penrose and Oliver and practically all of the Republican congressmen from Pennsylvania are expected at this convention, which it is predicted will be one of the most important gatherings in the history of the league.

Besides the two United States senators, among the speakers at the mass meeting will be former Secretary of the Treasury Leslie M. Shaw.

If his duties as chairman shall not interfere, Colonel Andrews will also attend the convention.

Various organizations have met recently, among them the War Veterans' club, of Philadelphia, and cordially indorsed the full Republican ticket and resolved to work industriously to get out the vote.

The influence of a large Republican majority at the coming election in Pennsylvania, both upon national and local conditions, will be far-reaching.

Should Pennsylvania falter, it would be heralded from one end of the Union to the other that "Protection Pennsylvania" had repudiated the tariff bill, which would mean a calamitous condition for industrial and trade conditions possible until after the congressional elections next year.

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North Charleroi.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Metz are sojourning at St. Paul, Minnesota.

Jesse Baldwin of Donora spent Sunday with relatives here.

Mrs. Robert Shanks, son, Albert and daughter Alice were Sunday guests of Stockdale friends.

The Misses Grace Watkins and Mary Sisley of Fayette City were callers here Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Howard Isenberg and daughter of Monessen spent Sunday with Mrs. Arthur Weight.

Mrs. Geo. Dennis and children are visiting relatives in Morgantown.

G. Lutes and son are Crawford county visitors.

Mrs. Shuttleworth and children of Sharon have returned home after a visit with the former's sister Mrs. John Davis.

Mrs. Alfred Higginbotham returned Saturday from Wooster, Ohio, where she spent sometime with friends and relatives.

Mrs. H. L. Pierce is spending a week at Washington, Pa.

Mrs. R. B. Mansell and children of Scottsdale were week-end visitors at the home of the former's mother, Mrs. Mary Speakman.

Joseph Nutt and son, Charles spent Sunday in Greene county.

Master Dempsey Woodward returned home Saturday after a visit with his grandparents near Wooster, Ohio.

Mrs. Jonas Gee was a Donora caller Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hogan and children were recent guests of Carroll township friends.

Miss Hallie Isaacs of Monongahela, has returned home after spending a few days with Mrs. A. Reese.

Mrs. George Price and children have returned from East Liverpool, Ohio, where they spent two weeks with friends and relatives.

Mrs. Elizabeth Baldwin of the State of California was a recent visitor at the home of Mrs. Geo. Dennis. John Hogan left yesterday for Uniontown where he will spend his vacation.

Mrs. John Davis spent Saturday in Pittsburgh.

H. L. Haggerty was a Sunday visitor at the home of his brother, W. F. Haggerty.

Miss Pearl Linn is spending some time with relatives near Finleyville.

Mrs. Elizabeth Mollard of Lock No. 5, was a visitor last week with Mrs. Robert Shanks.

Mrs. A. F. McGowan is visiting friends in Washington, Pa.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Morris of Monessen were Sunday guests at the home of John Myers.

Harry Dennis and Russell Crabb enjoyed a bicycle ride to Uniontown Saturday.

Mrs. Martin of Elizabeth visited Mrs. Jos. Jacobs recently.

Chas. Myers of Monessen was a caller here Sunday.

Mrs. Jacob Gulantz and children are home after a two months' sojourn at Rice's Landing.

Mrs. George Ball of West Unionville visited relatives here recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Jean Reese and little daughter of Monessen were visitors Sunday at the home of A. Reese.

The North Charleroi school children will be given a picnic, by T. P. Sloan at Eldora Park, Friday, September 24.

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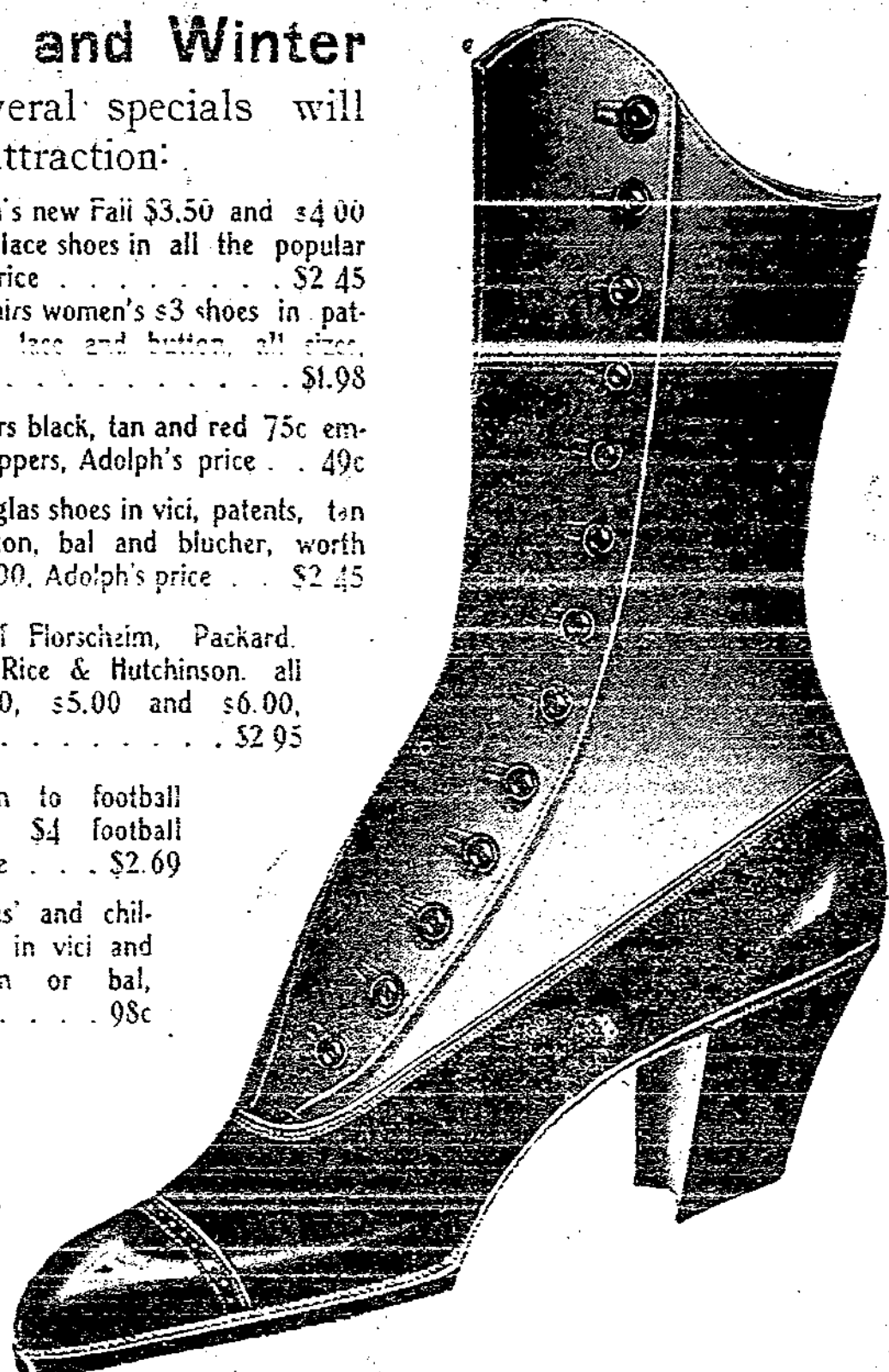
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LOCAL NOTES

Brief Mention of People and Events in this Community.

Editor E. C. Niver of the Charleroi Mail is in Washington today attending the meeting of the Republican Executive committee of which he is a member.

Karl Keffer, Jr., left this morning for Washington where he will resume his studies at W. and J. college. weeks' visit in Charleroi.

Miss Blanche Faddis, who has been spending a short time at the home of her brother, Dr. Faddis returned to her home at Rices Landing.

Mrs. Gerard of Washington avenue left this morning for a visit with friends at Lima, Ohio.

L. H. Reeves of California was a visitor in town this morning.

William and Thomas McDermott spent Sunday visiting in Connellsville and Uniontown.

W. E. McFall of the Charleroi postoffice has returned to duty after a trip to Atlantic City of two weeks' duration.

Harold Smith, Jesse Richey, Roy Carson and Jacob Mitchell left for Washington today where they will enter W. and J. college.

Worshipping a Turtle.

At a place called Koton, on the French Ivory Coast, the natives believe that to eat or destroy a turtle would mean death to the guller one or sickness among the family. The fetish men, of which there are plenty, declare that years ago a man went to sea fishing. In the night his canoe was thrown upon the beach empty. Three days afterward a turtle came ashore at the same place with the man on its back alive and well. Since that time they have never eaten or destroyed one of that species, although they enjoy other species.

If one happens now to be washed ashore there is a great commotion in the town. First the women sit down and start singing and beating sticks; next a small piece of white cloth (color must be white) is placed on the turtle's back. Food is then prepared and placed on the cloth, generally plantains, rice and palm oil. Then, amid a lot more singing, dancing and antics of the fetish people, it is carried back into the sea and goes on its way rejoicing.

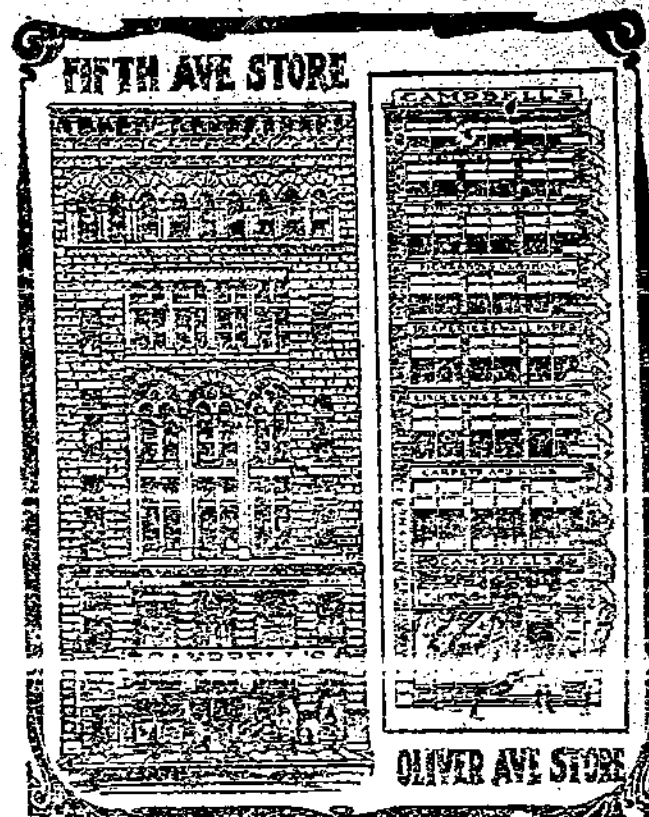
Rest in the Lord.

The human soul is restless until it reposes in God. If we faithfully seek and find this safe retreat in the grace of the reconciled God, then the cause of all our restlessness will be removed, and it will be fulfilled what the Saviour says, "Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest."—Rev. Ernest A. Tappert, Lutheran, New York.

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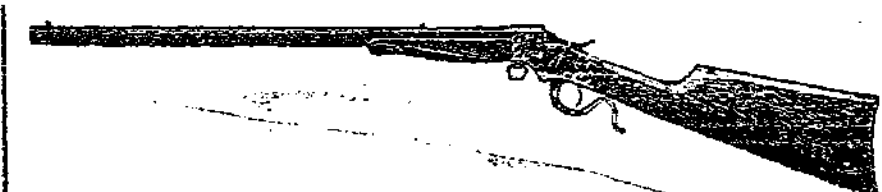
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Vulture and Rattlesnake

An odd battle between a California vulture and a rattlesnake was witnessed in the Cocopa mountains of Lower California. It was in the early morning. The big bird had seized the snake by the head and was struggling upward with its writhing, deadly burden. The snake's captor appeared aware that its victim was dangerous. The burden was heavy, as the reptile was nearly five feet long.

The grip of the bird on the snake's body was not of the best. The snake seemed to be squirming from its captor's talons, at least sufficiently to enable it to strike. Its triangular head was seen to recoil and dart at the mass of feathers.

It did this once or twice, and then with a shriek the vulture dropped its prey. The bird was probably 500 feet or so above the observers. The astonished men were then treated to a spectacle seldom seen. Few birds but a vulture could accomplish such a feat.

The instant the snake escaped from the bird's clutches it dropped earthward like a shot, and like a shot the bird dropped after it, catching it in midair with a grip that caused death. At any rate, the snake ceased to wriggle, and the vulture soared away to a mountain peak to devour its hard-earned meal.

The Distinguished Guest

Captain Raabe was a man whose name had weight in the French cavalry. He was a tall man, belonging to the middle aged trooper type. With military qualities of the highest kind, he had a singular bearing, a savage sort of misanthropy and a cynical tongue, which stood in the way of promotion. When he was in the Sixth lancers, on garrison duty at Commercy, one of his comrades brought his father to dine with him at the officers' mess, a man of humble position and unpretentiously dressed. Captain Raabe, considering that this guest had not been duly received, gave expression to his opinion, saying that if the executioner of Commercy had come in evening dress he would have had a better reception. The officers demurring, he made no rejoinder, but shortly afterward came to mess with a guest whose dress was irreproachable. Every one lavished attentions on the unknown. When dinner was over Captain Raabe, raising his glass, proposed the health of "the executioner of Commercy."

Predding High

Marie—But if you love Tom, why do you go about with Jack? Madge—Well, you see, Tom is rather slow, and I'm using Jack as a pacemaker for him.—Exchange.

The greatest battle-tale in the world is a woman's age when it begins to tell on her.—Philadelphia Record.

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SHE DEFIED THE DIRECTORS.

Considering That She Had Been Shabbily Treated, Malibran Sang as Long as She Wanted to and Had a Most Satisfactory Revenge.

Quarrels between opera singers and managers call to mind an incident in the life of Malibran. It was in 1829 when Malibran returned to England from New York and made her debut at Birmingham at the music festival as Malibran Garcia. Miss Paton had already become a favorite there and was allowed to choose her own songs and sing as long as she pleased, whereas Malibran was compelled to sing only what was assigned to her. Garcia bore the indignity with such patience as she could command until one morning she saw the announcement that Miss Paton would sing six songs that evening and that she

was to sing them in a room of her own, realizing that much of her success for the season in England depended on her having a better place in the program, she stormed the directors.

In vain the directors endeavored to avoid receiving her, but she made short work of ceremony, and while they were framing an excuse to pacify her she looked in upon them in a magnificent rage. In a jiffy she asked the chairman:

"Sir, have you sanctioned this program?" And, receiving a nod in the affirmative, she called aloud further:

"I had hoped," she said, "it had been issued without your sanction, for it assigns me two songs, both of which are hackneyed, while it gives my rival, Miss Paton, six. She has an established reputation here. Mine is yet to make, at least with your English audiences, and therefore if any preference should be given to any one it should be to me. On my success here depends all chance of my success in London. You forget this or do not care. You give me no chance of success, whereas all I want is justice. I want the same opportunity for displaying my ability as you allow Miss Paton. Here you advertise me for fifteen minutes. But I performed that last night, and the public will say, 'Romero on Monday, Romero on Tuesday, Romero on Wednesday—Romero, Romero, she can do nothing but Romero.' I want fair play—no more, no less."

Well, it was a great force. The directors endeavored to soothe her, for she had talked herself into a great passion, but they made their mistake in pointing to the fact that the program was printed and could not be changed. In vain Malibran argued that she should sing six or an equal number of songs with Miss Paton, and finally she went off in a great huff, declaring if they would not right her she would right herself.

The evening advertised came, and the theater was crowded with the rank, beauty and fashion of Birmingham, as every one familiar with English music festivals would expect. The performance commenced. Some one sang, then Abraham followed, and finally came Miss Paton. As usual, she was heartily received. Then Malibran came forward amid many plaudits, undoubtedly agitated at the applause, and stood for a minute with her arms folded and her eyes on the ground.

There was a piano near the footlights, and the music stool stood at the back of the stage. Malibran stood near the piano, but did not touch a key, while in a manner until then unknown in England she warbled the well known aria "Una voce poco fa." First followed peal of applause, and when the conductor came to lead Malibran away the cries of encore were so loud as to make him retreat, and again Malibran was in the hands of the audience.

For some time the applause continued and finally died away. When all was silence Malibran started up suddenly, made a pretty obeisance, hustled ran to the back part of the stage and brought out a piano stool. Then, motioning to the orchestra not to play, she played a prelude and then an accompaniment to the song she had just given. But that was not all. When she came within a note or two of the conclusion she paused, cast a look at the wings, where the mystified director stood, laughingly shook her head and to the delight of the audience and the amazement of the directors commenced a new song. She had been singing Italian; now she sang Spanish, and when this had been applauded she started to retire. The audience, however, would not part with her, and when the conductor came to lead her off, pit, gallery and boxes actually hissed the poor fellow.

There never was a more enthusiastic ovation to a singer in Birmingham, and, thus encouraged, Malibran gracefully waved the conductor off and again sat down to play. She passed from Spanish to German, German to French and finally from French to English, and the result was that she occupied so much time that the nervously waiting Miss Paton sang only two songs instead of six.

There was a lively scene behind the curtain when Malibran at length retired. But to the acting director, who fumed and cried, "Madam, you have played us an astonishing 'trick'!" she only smiled and said, "I told you that I would right myself if you wronged me—and I did."—New York Post.

A diamond with a flaw is better than a common stone without any imperfections.—Chinese Proverb.

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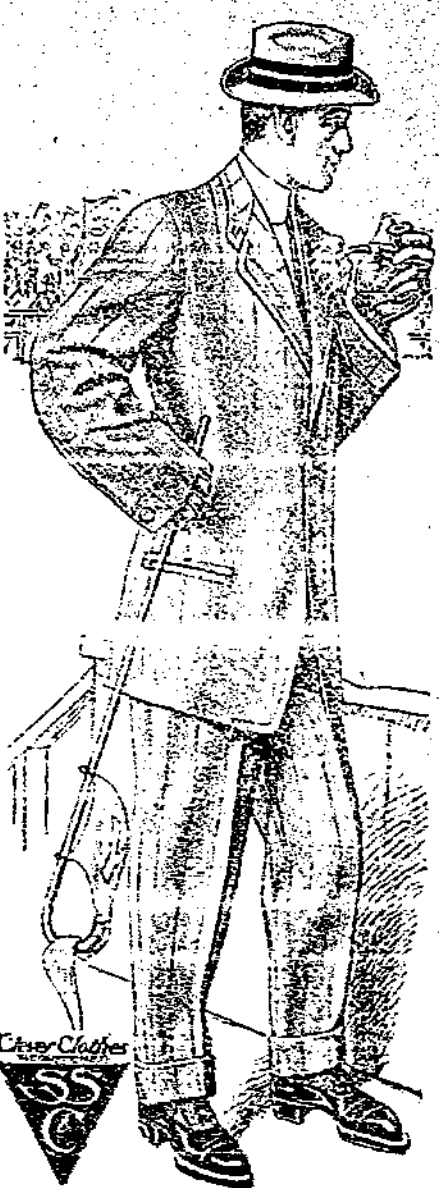
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BROWNING'S "SORDELLO."

The Critics Had Lots of Fun With the Famous Poem.

When Robert Browning was twenty-eight years old and after he had written "Paracelsus" and his tragedy of "Strafford," he wrote "Sordello," about which there has always been such a variety of opinion. Dante is his "Purgatory" wrote of Sordello, who was a poet of Provence.

"When 'Sordello' appeared it made a sensation. I much said it had of forced \$100 to any person who would reasonably explain one single line and that after a year no one had claimed this reward. Burlesques were written on it, and in one of these it was claimed that the funniest lines were some of the exact original ones.

A story is told of witty Douglas Jerrold, who met a friend one day and asked, "Have you read 'Sordello'?" Does it mean anything? The friend replied that it meant nothing whatever. "Thank heaven!" said Jerrold. "Then I am not mad! I read it yesterday and feared I had lost my wits. It is only Browning who has lost his."

Another story was that criminals at Newgate prison who were condemned to death were offered full pardon if they would listen to the reading of "Sordello," but in every instance they listened with glee to the galleys. Browning once said that he blamed nobody but himself for the work and that it had many faults of expression, that he meant to lay stress on "beauty" in the poem, and that "beauty" and that little else is worth study. This estimate of his work was given twenty-five years after it was written, when he had revised it and dedicated it to a friend. He rewrote very little of it, and his followers have a belief that he considered "Sordello" his best literary work. It certainly has many beautiful lines and in particular there

is a word picture as striking as anything in our language:

That autumn eve was still.
A last remnant of sunset dimly burned,
O'er the far forests like a torch flame

turned
By the wind back upon the bearer's hand,
In one long flame of crimson; as a brand
The woods beneath lay black.

—Boston Globe.

Foresight

Little George, who was four years old, had been told many Bible stories. Among them was the story of the flood, and the building of the ark by Noah. One day a storm threatened. The clouds grew darker, the wind arose, and suddenly the rain began to fall.

"Auntie," said George, "do you think it is going to storm?"

"Yes, I think it will," was the reply. "Do you think it will be a bad storm?" asked the little fellow.

"Yes, I think it will be a hard storm," the aunt replied.

"Well, don't you think some of us had better begin building an ark?" he asked.—Los Angeles Times.

Too Big a Price.

Does the pursuit of wealth cut the American man of business off from the old fashioned relish of books and society? In other words, is he paying too big or disproportionate a price in time and strength for wealth and commercial prominence? My answer would be "Yes" beyond question.—A. Barton Hepburn in Century.

Easy Job.

The Boss—I'd like to give you employment, young man, but there is no work to do. The Applicant—That's just the sort of job I'd like, sir, if the salary were satisfactory.—Cleveland Leader.

Little minds are too much wounded by little things; great minds see all and are not even hurt.—Le Rochefoucauld.